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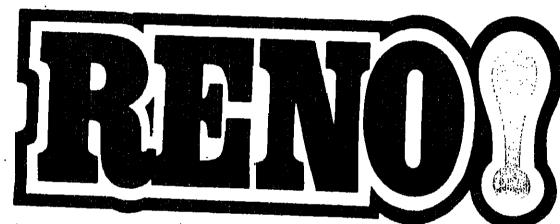
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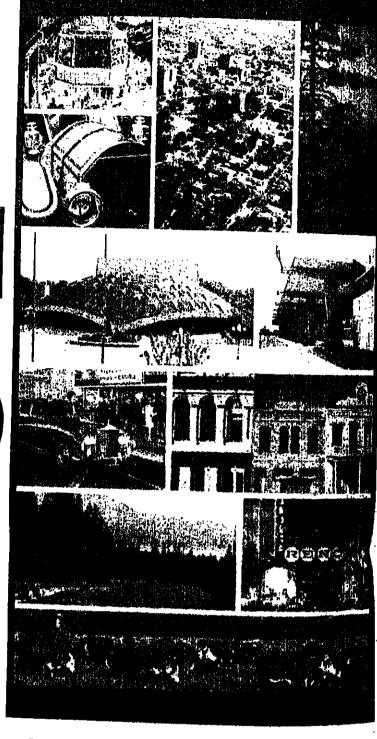
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It is the time of year when stockmen begin wondering what farmers who plant feed grains are going to do this spring. They planted 122.6 million acres of feed last grains year, up slighty from a year RICHARDSON earlier, but below that planted in 1979. But, they harvested only 101.5 million acres of them, and production was down from the record 238.2 million metric ton total of 1979 to 198.2 million tons, the lowest since 1977!

Though feed use is seen at only 4.35 billion bu., the lowest since 1977-78, exports are seen at 2.6 billion bu., record high for the fourth straight year. Total use is seen at a record 7.7 billion bu., well above that produc-

Stockmen should also realize that carryover is seen at only 556 million bu.. down more than a billion bu. from a year ago and the lowest since 1976. Sorghum plantings totaled 15.9 million acres, up slightly from a year earlier but otherwise the lowest since 1962. Harvested acreage totaled only 12.7 million acres, the lowest since 1964.

Area planted to corn for grain last year totaled 84.1 million acres, the highest since 1976 and barvested acreage totaled 73.1 million acres, the highest since 1960. But. production was down from 1979's record 7.9 billion bu, to 6.6 billion, the lowest since

Gats planted last year totaled only 13.4 million acres, the lowest since 1874. Harvested acreage totaled only 8.6 million acres, the lowest since 1867 and production totaled only 457.6 million bu., the lowest since 1881. Feed use is seen at only 450 million bu., the lowest since 1934.

Area seeded to barley totaled 8.3 million acres, the lowest since 1926 and that harvested for grain totaled only 7.2 million acres, the lowest since 1924. Feed use is projected at 185 million bu., the lowest since 1977-78.

With lower prices for cattle mainly responsible for the decline in prices to CNS. received by stockmen last month, it is clear the availability and price of feed grain will be a major factor in livestock decisions this spring and summer, This is especially true when the index of all prices paid by stockmen are moving up. At 800% of its 1967 average, the prices paid by stockmen for goods and services is 10% above just a year ago. . The ratio of prices received strength. to prices paid now stands at



Second in a series:

Power line safety worries stockmen

EDITOR'S NOTE: Last Montana rancher Rick Lacey week WLJ reported on and the Bonneville Power ranchers' battles with utility Administration (BPA) over companies over unwanted a new route for power lines power lines running through that dissects Lacey's ranch. their property. This week Lacey criticized BPA's lack we discuss what is being of communication with him. done to salve rancher tion with him. complaints and we look into the safety of these lines that ranchers fear may be harming their family and their livestock.

and ALEX MOSTROUS

They're ugly; they hum; they interfere with radio and t.v. reception; and they're bigger and better than ever, and here to stay. Giant high voltage power

lines which mushroomed in the East and Midwest years ago are now pushing across the West to fuel the growing population of West Coast cities. Despite complaints by ranchers whose lands they are now encroaching upon, there seems to be no evidence that they pose much of a safety threat to those who have to live with

Farmers and ranchers dislike them because they restrict the way the land can be used, particularly when irrigation systems are involved. Last week's Western Livestock Journal reported on a dispute between

In prepared remarks for the National Extension Advisory Council, Block said he could not reveal specifics of hudget requests for extension programs yet, but that he thought the Carter administration's original request for fiscal 1982 extension spending "was inadequate to offset infia-

by MARTHA WILLIAMS

probably occur in the USDA

Extension plans win high priority in 1982 budget

Agricultural extension programs were given "high priority" in the austere administration proposal for fiscal 1982 USDA spending, U.S. Agriculture Secretary John Block said, according

Lock said research done under extension programs NCA also said that BLM. The organization also GLEN RICHARDSON was essential.

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According to Ellis, most con-

Ellis was in Boise recently to

in their own kitchens.

Reagan's budget ax to hit rancher

Reagan's proposed budget cuts will affect ranchers and farmers, either directly or indirectly. Most of the changes are still just proposals, however given the presidential and public mandate to cut the budget, most of the changes will

presented during the first round of major reductions would cut \$6.2 billion from

rification guaranteed loans tions. would be shifted to the Farm ownership lending bringing the effect of all changes to the department budget up to \$6.5 billion.

Direct lending programs will be the hardest hit. It will be reduced by 25%, with deeper cuts made in programs where adequate private financing is deemed available. Farm operating loans, low income housing and community develop-

range improvement funds

and serve as a board of

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According to NCA, the

administration of the

1978 needs to be more

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could damage an endanger-

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limited, NCA said.

will be reduced from \$870 million to \$790 million for FY 1981 and down to \$700 million the following year. for credit is expected to fill the gaps. Farm operating loans will increase to \$1.3 billion in FY 1982. This is \$125 million less than budget. proposed in the previous

Greater reliance on the cost of federal borrowing. It Farm Credit Administration will also eliminate any emergency loans to ranchers and farmers who have other credit sources. This will

> Also due for cuts are homeownership loans for

> trim \$400 million from the

NCA urges scrutiny of grazing policy

Assn. recently submitted to more active role in range-Interior Secretary James Watt several recommendations on public land use policies that affect grazing on public rangelands, re-NCA told Watt that the

Interior Department should examine whether its grazing creasing the amount of grazing allowed on public lands as a means of improving the condition of these lands. NCA said it did not agree

with the premise set forth in the past Bureau of Land Management policy documents implying that public rangelands are in poor infringe on the rights of condition primarily because of overgrazing, and that the solution to this problem is to reduce livestock population on these lands. Such reductions in the

NCA also urged a repeal of a 1972 executive order number of livestock animals banning the use of toxic permitted to graze public chemicals to control predalands would put many tors on federal lands. tion and still maintain ranchers out of business According to NCA, such extension programs at full and would increase con-chemicals are needed to sumer food prices, NCA protect livestock from predatore.

district grazing authority urged the transfer of the these range betterment

land planning and management. Such boards should be allowed to give advice and make recommendations transferred in 1989. on the appropriate use of

preliminary appeals in purpose is to protect conditions. resolving grazing disputes, agriculture from predators, Service is not oriented toward understanding agriculture's problems and NCA also recommended

Endangered Species Act of that BLM make changes in the way it allocates and uses range betterment fundsof wildlife against the needs of land users. NCA said the funds derived from the fees collected by BLM from actions taken under this law ranchers who graze stock on private landowners. That federal lands. law prohibits land from

Current law requires that being used in a manner that 50% of these funds be used for improving the range in the grazing districts from which the fees were collected. The law essentfally prohibits the use of range betterment funds for planning and administration of the range betterment funds program, NCA said However, NCA said that

contrary to current law, BLM regulations permit

The National Cattlemen's boards should be given a animal damage control funds to be used at the program from Interior's discretion of the BLM Fish and Wildlife Service to director for such expenses the USDA, where it was as planning, equipment and originally before being labor. NCA recommended that these regulations be NCA said that although revised to allow range the law establishing the betterment funds to be used ADC program states that its only to improve rangeland

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March 21-Midwestern Quarter

CATTLE AUCTIONS

March 16-Western Montana

Angus Assn. 33rd Annual

March 16 - Garwood Ranches All

Breeds Production Sale, Kear-

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Ranch Performance Sires Sale.

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Mr. Walter Hawks, in his

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But at the same time, the ment industry. This one

Angus executive plan resignation

C.K. Allen, executive vice president of the American Angus Assn., has submited his resignation, effective May 1, as chief executive officer of the nation's beef registry association, reports Myron Woolever, association president.

'Dr. Allen's contract with the association expires May 1," Woolever said. 'The board of directors has accepted his resignation with regrot, and we wish him every success."

Assn. Annual Show and Sale, The board of directors on March 17-Van Dyke Angus Feb. 24 named Dick Spader as executive vice presidentdesignate. Spader, who has been a staff member of the American Angus Assn. since 1969, is currently director of performance programs for the association. He will assume the position o executive vice president of the American Angus Assn. on May 1.

General Foods to March 19—Westwind-Apex Angus & Polled Hereford Sale, Valler, Mont. March 20—20th Annual Tucum**buy Oscar Mayer**

General Foods Corp., and Oscar Mayer and Co., Inc., jointly announced that they have signed definitive agreements for the acquisition by General Foods of all the outstanding shares of Oscar Mayer for \$29 per share in cash, reports CNS.

The agreements were approved by Oscar Mayer's board of directors and by the board of General Foods. The transaction will require the approval of Oscar Mayer shareholders at a special stockholders meeting in Chicago May 5. The firms said they expect the sharholders to approve the acquisition.

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The two-day Congress, held in June in San Luis Obiepo Calif, brought together over 20 speakers, moderators and pencellas.

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> • The number of steers and heifers on feed in the heaviest weight groups are

the livestock industry:

to improve very soon,'

commented Mike Sands,

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black, but these were of

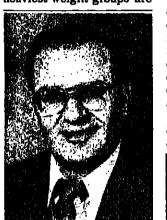
Even though beef sup-

olies have been compara-

tively low in recent years,

cattle feeders have been

disappointing duration."



former High Plains district director for Colorado State University Extension Service, has been appointed agricultural development program leader of the service. He has held the position in an acting capacity for the past six

Land issue may become a crisis, Block tells group

The yearly loss of prime agricultural land through soil erosion and conversion to other uses is a 'crisis in the making," similar in status to the issue of energy conservation 10 years ago, U.S. Agriculture Secretary John Block said, according

In prepared remarks delivered at the National Agricultural Lands Conference in Chicago, Block said, legislation and studies mean nothing without a basic understanding that in the next 20 years we cannot realize a 60 to 35% increase in demand for U.S. agricultural products while urbanizing three million acres of productive land each year and maintaining low productivity rates.'

Block said the 'crisis' could mean in the future that if prime agricultural land is used for other purposes, agriculture will have to move to poor quality land costly to cultivate and subject to erosion and environmental problems.

That will mean higher food prices in the future, he Block supported "wrap-

ping up the studies now and taking action" on a national agnicultural land policy.

Thave since read the response Producers battle stormy sea as costs, economy take toll enjoyed quite supposed and that it supposed quite suppo

sinking tub on a stormy sea, 1974, even though total cattle feeders, cow-calf cattle on feed in the major producers and hogmen are feeding states were down all being buffeted by high five percent on Jan. 1. At feed costs, large meat the same time, the market supplies and unprofitable hog inventory in December was reported at only four "And right now, it percent lower than a year doesn't look like their earlier, when the industry economic situation is going expected numbers to be

> animals on hand. Even though choice steers averaged \$67 cwt. in 1980 - near record levels feeders lost about \$50 per head on each animal they finished. At the same time, hog prices slipped from above \$50 cwt. in August to the low \$40's in January. For the past year, farrow-tofinish operators lost an average of \$3.50 per hundredweight of market hogs they produced, the economist said.

down 10%. In short,

producers have too many

 Skyrocketing feed costs and interest rates have absorbed profit margins for most cattle and hog producers.

 General economic conditions, including continued double-digit inflation rates, rising unemployment, high interest rates and rising energy costs have weakened demand for meat and will continue to do so in the year

 Rising supplies of beef and poultry will provide added competition for al- most cattle feeders," he

at the highest levels since ready-large pork supplies.

Turning to near-term price prospects, Sands believes choice steers will probably average in the \$65 to \$66 cwt. range, southwest Kansas basis, during the first quarter of 1981, about the same as a year ago. Seasonally declining mean averaging in the low to supplies during the second mid-\$10's. Considering farand third quarters should rowing intentions, summer push prices modestly higher quarter hog prices may to average in the low \$70's, average in the low \$50's

At the same time, prices for 600-to-700 lb. choice feeder steers at major markets this winter will probably average in the \$70-to-\$74-cwt, range. As fed steers trend higher in the spring and summer, yearling steer prices could move into the upper \$70's, the economist said.

To break even on the cattle they feed, operators need to sell steers at \$73 to \$75 cwt. during the first quarter of this year and at \$72 to \$74 in the April-June quarter. These breakeven prices are based on December-January production

feed prices, interest rates and other cost items will push breakeven price levels even, higher. Combining expected fed cattle prices with projected breakevens suggests feeding margins will remain unprofitable for

the fall quarter.

Sands predicts hog prices will probably average in the middle \$40's cwt. during the first quarter of 1981. which will be about 25% better than a year earlier. labor, near \$20 cwt. "Variable costs of about \$42 cwt. should be more likely to decline seasonally,

with only a slight decline in Currently, hog producers highly unlikely that cow-calf

good as previously expected Sands observed that it is

than covered during the

year," Sands said. "So, the

current outlook suggests a

'hetter year' than 1980 for

most producers, but not as

to break even on market three-to-five percent annual hogs, based on \$3.50-a-bu. increase in the cow herd and corn, 38-42% protein sup- still put the cow-calf and plement at \$320 a ton and hackgrounding segments of nonfeed costs, including the cattle industry back in

> At the same time, he said, the key to putting the hog industry back on a solid financial footing is larger reductions in pork supplies, a lower inflation rate and a would generate increases in consumer purchasing pow-



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John Block has announced second quarterly estimate beef and veal-if USDA President Reagan will not of 1981 U.S. meat imports estimates imports of those impose quotas on ment imports during the second quarter of this year, and predicted quotes would not be necessary for the rest of

of mest covered by the Mest Import Act of 1979. This act requires the

president to restrict imports

Large supplies, high interest dim longterm price forecast

Ample meat supplies and the effects of high interest per cwt. are bringing \$60." rates have dimmed the long operators are losing \$100 term outlook for beef prices, per head, Hashargen said. according to Paul Hasbargen. University of Min-nesota Extension Econo-

"I see tough times for the economy ahead," Hasbargen told CNS. Both fuel and grain prices could be moving higher. Real incomes may be moving down for beef, whose fortunes tend to rise and fall with consumer incomes."

Right now, cattle that were expected to bring \$70 laughs at.

Meat Board leader

Relief from negative price factors-such as high slaughter rates, high inflation and unemployment rates, and wide marketing margins—may not come until the April-June period, he said.

However, Hasbargen said, spring cattle prices until corrective measures could remain low if current now being initiated change drought areas continue dry the direction of the econ- and result in short pastures omy." Hasbargen said, and high grain prices, This is not a bright picture forcing high non-fed slaughter levels.

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indicates the U.S. will meats will equal or exceed import 1 402 billion pounds 110% of a stated level.

"Based on current estimates, there is no need to impose import restrictions during the quarter beginn-

ing April 1." Block said.
"Our analysis of conditions in this country and abroad affecting meat imports strongly suggests there will be no need for import restrictions for the remainder of the year, "

USDA makes a new estimate of meat imports before each calendar quarter. For 1981, quotas would be required if imports are estimated to equal or exceed 1.447 billion pounds. The USDA's current estimate is 45 million pounds below that level, Block said.

Last November, USDA estimated 1.458 billion pounds of meat would be imported in 1981. This estimate was 11 million pounds above the trigger 1981, Block said.

President Carter announced his intention to implement-and the suspendmeat import limitations

under provisions in the law. A 30-day public comment period was provided in accordance with the act. While the comments were being reviewed and analyzed, first by the Carter administration and then by

the current administration, USDA received new data on the effects of the drought in Australia. These data indicated a substantial reduction in the export availability of beef from that country during 1981.

Australia normally supplies the U.S. with about the imported mont subject to the act. Although a drought was in progress in Australia at the time of the first estimate, its impact on production and exports was more severe than earlier forecast, further depleting stock inventory levels in

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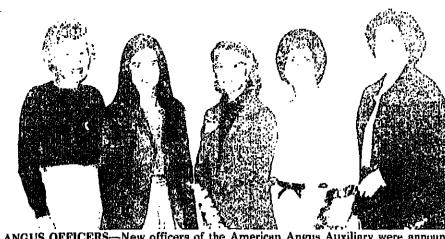
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DES hearings winding down

has been taken, according

hearings in the Kansas City

region have been delayed

interest by the lawyer of

some of the feedlots is

resolved, according to Ger-

tional hearing is scheduled for mid-March, he said.

About 20 hearings will be

held in the Kansas City

until a possible conflict of

Several FDA-feedlot

to a court clerk.

Only a few hearings by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) on feedlots or firms that allegedly used diethylstilbestrol after it was banned remain to be eld, according to FDA

The hearings are being held to allow firms accused of using the drug after an Oct 31, 1979, ban an ald Vince, FDA spokesman opportunity to state why the in Kansas City. An addi-FDA should not seek tional hearing is scheduled

Meanwhile, the status of a DES meat trial concerning the fate of 273 beef carcasses from cattle implanted with DES after the ban was implemented is still in limbo, according to a spokeswoman for one of the attorneys defending the feedlot. A decision by District Judge Patrick Kelly is still expected in mid-

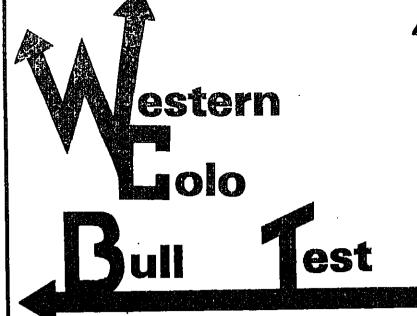
region altogether. Out of 14 hearings to be held in the Dallas region, all but two have been held, said Robert Hatfield, FDA compliance officer for the region. The remaining two are scheduled in March, he

After each hearing, the local FDA office sends

Amarillo, Tex., no action cine in Washington D.C. as to whether each case should be dropped or continued. If the Bureau decides to continue a case it will be referred to a U.S. attorney in the defendant's area for prosecution in U.S. District

> Names of Firms, whether dropped or continued, will not be available until they reach the courts, said Louise Fenner, a spokeswoman at FDA in Washing-

In early 1980, an FDA than 425,000 head of cattle ilegally implanted with DES and nearly 1,400 head illegally fed the drug. FDA had accused more than 300 firms of illegally implanting or feeding DES.



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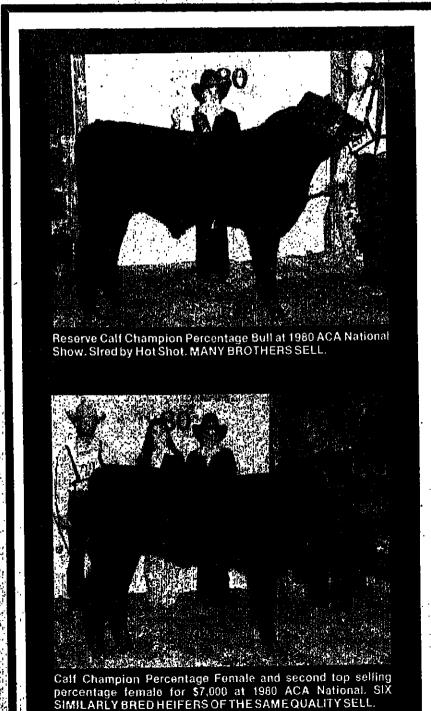
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Comments favor PS&A proposal

The USDA has received current \$5000 minimum generally favorable com- bond for buyers and ments on its proposal to marketing agencies whose against engaging in point raise the bond it requires of annual business is less than promotions, saying it would livestock dealers and market \$650,000 and raising the agencies under the Puckers | hond to \$10,000 for those | disadvantage against comand Stockyards Act, reports with annual business in peting food products for

However, a USDA proposal that would prohibit meat packers from ongaging in certain promotional practices at the wholesale level drow criticism from several meat packing firms.

Both of these proposals were part of the Dec. 31 USDA proposal to modify packers and stockyards regulations. Other provisions of that proposal would allow livestock dealers to put proceeds from custodial accounts into interest-bearing accounts. Another provision would somewhat reduce the amount of information USDA requires livestock dealers and market agencies to submit in their Institute and several indiviannual reports to the dual meat packers and Packers and Stockyards processors objected to a

Administration. The proposal would increase to \$10,000 from 5000 packers and stockyards the minimum bond required policy on packer sales from livestock dealers whose annual livestock business exceeds \$260,000. The National Cattlemen's Assn. and the American Farm Bureau Federation generally supported this increase in bonding requirements. However, the NCA expressed concern that raising the bond requireschemes could lead customment for livestock buyers ers to buy products for their from government regulatory and market agencies buying point value rather than on on commission could disthe basis of their merits. courage new buyers from USDA currently prohibits entering the livestock mar- packers from using point ket. Instead, the NCA promotion programs at the suggested retaining the retail level.

excess of \$650,000.

The Livestock Marketing Assn. told USDA the proposed increase in the bond would be very expensive for market agencies that buy and sell livestock on commission. The LMA criticized the dollar value of livestock involved in a transaction. rather than on the degree of risk involved in those transactions. The proposal would do little to improve the efficiency and speed with which bonds are disbursed to any damaged

parties in a livestock

transaction, it said, The American Meat provision in the proposal that would expand the promotions by prohibiting point system promotions. Under point promotion programs, a packer awards points to customers for purchasing specific products. The points allow the customer to select gifts from a gift catalog. According to USDA, point promotion

included in the GAO report.

Several puckers objected to the proposed prohibition put meat at a competitive which such promotions are

GAO to release **Delaney analysis**

The General Accounting Office, the investigative arm of Congress, plans to release a report this spring analyzing the costs and benefits of the Delaney Clause, a cornerstone of current U.S. food safety law, a GAO source told

The report was requested by seven U.S. congressmen: Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa; Rep. William Wampler, R-Va.; Rep. Thomas Hagedorn, R-Minn.; Rep. James Martin, R-N.C.; Rep. Richard Nolan, D-Minn.; Rep. Ike Skelton, D-Mo.; and Rep. Charles Whitley, D-N.C.

The Delaney Clause is a provision of the federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act that requires banning from the U.S. food supply any substance shown to cause cancer in labortory

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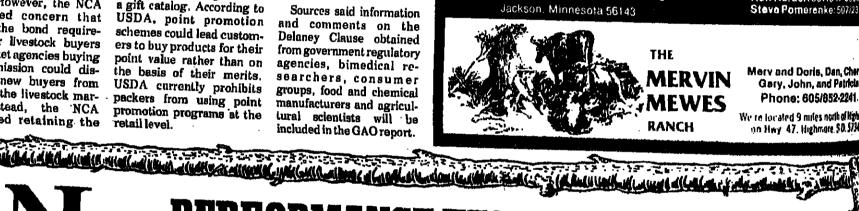
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There is no charge for the bus trip; the fare is provided by the Blueprint for Expansion Division of the Sheep Industry Development Program.

The marketing symposium is designed as an opportunity to review lamb marketing in the U.S. and to develop some alternative marketing methods which producers can utilize. The three-day program contains a good mix of all types of speakers from all segments of the industry.

The bus will leave Denver from the Airport Ramada Inn, 3737 Quebec St., at 6 a.m., March 23. It will return to Denver, Thursday, March 28. Reservations and further information can be obtained from Michael Monell, American Sheep Producers Council, Denver, at

American Salers Assn.

The American Salers Asan. recently elected new officers for the 1981 season.

Doug Hollar of Bleiblerville, Texas, was elected the new president of the association. Doug is the ranch manager for Scattered Oaks Ranch of Bleiblerville, Texas. Other officers include Len Miller, vice president and the following directors: Bred Buxton; Jim Buffman; Gerald Effertz; Don Leith; Roy Moore; Grant McPherson; Mac Sanders; Seymour Johnson; and James Whittaker.



BACK TO SCHOOL—Dickinson School of Livestock Photography will hold its ninth class, June 15-20, outside of Colorado Springs, Colo., for those men and women interested in learning how to shoot quality pictures of cattle and horses, announced Darol Dickinson, founder of

Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers

The second most powerful man in America will be in Fort Worth, Monday, March 30, to talk with more than 2500 cattlemen attending the 104th annual convention, trade show and heritage sale of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Assn., March 20-April 1. All business meetings will be held at Tarrant County Convention Center.

'George Bush, vice president of the U.S. and a man familiar with Texas and its livestock industry, will deliver the keynote address at our kickoff luncheon," says John S. Cargile, TSCRA president from San Angelo.

Cargile noted that President Reagan performed similar speaking duties when TSCRA held its centonnial convention in Fort Worth four years ago.

The convention will open Sunday, March 29, with a 150-exhibit trade show featuring agricultural products and services from throughout the U.S. Live animal displays and the artistic efforts of the nation's most noted Western artists will be included, too. The trade show will be open from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday. A welcome social hour for all convention registrants will be held at 4 p.m.

Monday activities will include committee meetings with animal health, legislation, agricultural research and association promotion being the lead topics of discussion. All committee meetings each day and the board of directors meeting Monday afternoon are open to all convention registrants, Cargile said.

The convention's first general session will begin at 9 a.m. Tuesday with Cargile delivering his presidential address. He will be followed by John Huston, president of National Live Stock and Meat Board.

Texas A&M University will present a "lean beef" carcass demonstration using frozen steers to show the latest trend in beef desirability as dictated by consumer

For room reservations, contact TSCRA Convention Housing Bureau, c/o Mrs. Alva Walton, 700 Throckmorton St., Fort Worth, Texas 76102

Young producers get help to start

Beginning farmers in North Dakota have been using the state's Beginning Farmer Assistance Act to get started. Myron Just. North Dakota commissioner of agriculture, reports 400 young farmers last year bought or leased farm land at attractive rates.

The state tax department grants established farmers state income tax incentives to encourage passing land on to younger producers.

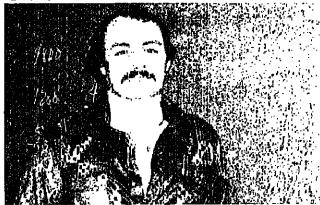
'One of the biggest problems facing a beginning farmer today is the cost and availability of farm land," says Just. "The intent of these laws is to tip the psychological scale in favor of the beginning

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VET TEACHER—Dr. D.L. Smith, DVM with the Feed Service Corp., Crete, Neb., recently presented "New Concepts of Cattle Nutrition" to the farm and ranch management class of the Southeast Community College at Beatrice, Neb. Dr. Smith will soon be presenting the same information to college classes in Colorado, Nebraska, Wisconsin and Texas.

Montana Hereford Assn.

The annual meeting and election of officers for the Montana Hereford Assn. was held recently with Bill Ammen, Turner, being elected to serve as president of the 170-member organization. Serving as vice-president will be Richard Thomas, Gold Creek.

Re-elected to continue their association duties are: secretary, Joanno Beery, Vida, and treasurer, Malcolm Adams, Livingston.

The newly elected board members are: Vern Wilson,

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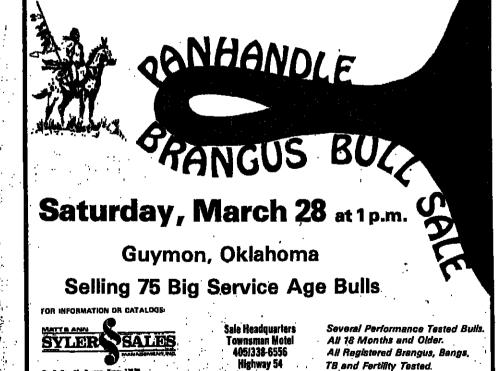
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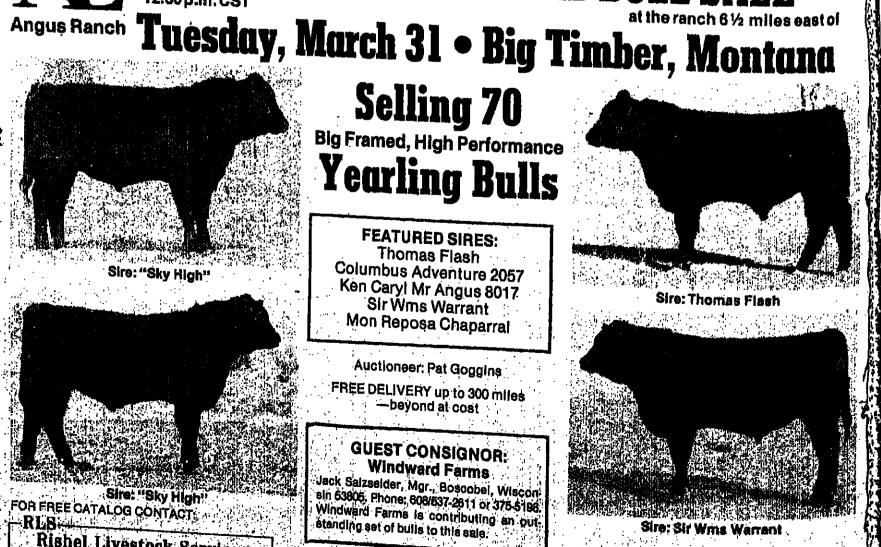


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accepted by the House and

the Senate. The elimination

comes from the U.S.

position that the food stamp

program should not be

ended. The school lunch

program will not be taken

grains embargo against the

USSR, Block said, "In my

opinion the situation is not

static. The embargo will be

taken off or broadened."

However, he said, the

status will be unchanged for

now, until the right "time

and circumstance" arises in

level, he added.

foreign areas.

be ready to come before of the mandatory April 1 Congress this week, U.S. Agriculture Secretary John supports is expected to be Block said, according to

In a speech delivered at an Illinois Republican fundraising event. Block said the bill is "designed to weigh heavily on the marketplace. along with the atmosphere of profitability in agriculture more than ever before."

He said agriculture will take its ''lumps'' along with the rest of the economy, referring to the USDA's budget cutting prospects.

Bull Test Results

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Leading all buils is a Charolais owned by Gary Gershmel, Winnelt, Mont., with an ADG of 5.10. Next high gainer is a Gelbyish bull owned by the Kicking Horse Ranch, Ferdig, Mont., with an ADG of 4.62.

The Simmental build are being led by Eugene Johnson, Dutton, Mont., with an ADG of 4.57. The DeBruycker, Dutton, with a buil gaining 4.55. Leading the 23 Saler built is a Drisdale Hidden Valley, Oktober, Alberta built valley. Oxotoks, Alberta bull gaining 3.81. The top Maine-Anjou buil is entered by Schuler Bros., Carter with a gain of 3.71. Jim Ployhar, Denton has the highest gaining Angus buil with an 3.36 ADG.

Final weights will be taken on April 10 and April 11, and the top performing bulls that pass the fertility test will be offered for sale at the Great Falls Livestock Market Center on April 24.

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112 Day Report

Leading the entire test at the teading the entire tear at the 112 day period is Tag #2, Jan. 24, 1980, a 7/8 son of Renz Jr. Consigned by Don Tipsword, Pine Biuffs, Wyo., he has an ADG of 4.46 and a WDA of 3.43. In second place is Tag #78, a 3/4 son of Renz born Feb. 4, 1980 and entered by Miles Davies, Deer Trail. He has an ADG of 4 43 and

a WDA of 3 22. The buils will come off test at the end of 140 days on March 23 and 24 The top and of these bulls

Meat import outlook:

Importer Council sees new year like old one

imports are expected to be 1.40 to 1.41 billion pounds. which is below the countercyclical meat import trigger level, meat importers can expect business to resemble 1980, according to William Morrison, executive direct-

Savings level off as farms expand

The production savings that can be gained by expanding farms level off after farms reach a certain size, a professor of agricultural economics at the University of Illinois said at a U.S. Chamber of Commerce Conference on Agriculture, according to CNS.

Steven Sonka's findings from a study of farms up to 2000 acres in size in central Illinois back up the recent USDA report contention that economic gains of expansion stop at a certain

Sonka's study did not find that production costs actually got higher as a farm expanded in acreage, although the cost savings got

Sonka said the cost of growing a bushel of corn on a central Illinois farm of 200 acres was \$3.11, \$2.90 on a 550-acre farm, \$2.80 on an 800-acre farm and \$2.75 on 1600-acre operation.

has been accepted by the He also said he supported Senate Agriculture Commitcontingency plans to ease He also said he supports farmers of any future commodity embargoes the elimination of target prices, especially because Sonka envisioned a joint the target-price concept is the only agricultural proplan between government and the insurance industry gram where the outlay to protect against steep price drops caused by an embargo.

"Though others are more Block maintained his dependent on us when we expand exports, farmers are also made more dependent on those exports," Sonks said, and alternative plans from those below poverty must be ready if exports are abruptly shut off by an On the status of the U.S.

> Foreigners owned 5.2 million acres of U.S. agricultural land as of October 31, 1979, That's less than 0.5% of all privately-held agricultural land, reports USDA.

or of the Meat Importers Council of America Inc. Reports CNS, Morrison three percent at 2.8 billion,

told a West Coast meeting of the council that meat prices are not expected to are 4.9 billion pounds for increase 18%, as had been domestic beef production. predicted earlier by the down six percent from a USDA. This USDA predicyear ago; four billion for tion had been responsible for the increase in the meat three billion for poultry, up import estimates released 2.5 percent, Word said. earlier of 1,458 billion Second quarter turkey propounds, 11 million above duction is expected to be up the trigger level of 1.447 billion, he said. The outlook for meat

USDA, Ward said.

Imports from Australia importers is not good for for February are estimated row profit margins, Ward 1981, except for the second at 12,000 tons, 17,000 in quarter, according to John March, 20,000 in April and Ward, council vice chair-20,000 in May, Ward said. man. Domestically, more Imports from New Zealand hogs and cattle will be are estimated to average produced this year than 12,000 tons per month, he previously estimated by the

Second quarter estimates

First quarter U.S. beef Meat imports are expected to decline during the next imported spices, for a production is estimated to few years, Word said, with ample, he said. rise 8.7% from a year ago at

decline six percent at 3.85 billion pounds in 1982, 1.26 billion, and poultry to rise billion in 1983 and 1.39 billion in 1989.

However, Ward said, the conflicting figures from the USDA make it difficult to project accurate import

He also said there were pork, down six percent; and too many worldwide med packers for too few cattle especially in Australia, Ner Zouland and Central America. Imported mest passe; six percent from a year ago, through many hands, espec ally on the East Coast which squeeze already-na-

> lative goal this year is to defeat efforts to require "restrictive" labeling of imported meat, Ward said Imported meat has the right to he used in foods as do



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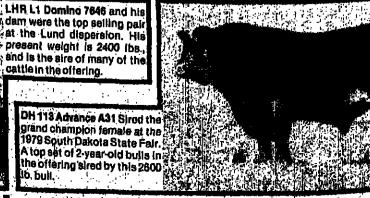
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by Band 234 of Ideal 3163; NR 109, GR 103, YR 104; Ken

Rito 278 of Hyline 6480, 3/2/80

by Rito 276 of Hyline 2480, 37276) by Rito 276 of Hyline 2775; NR 112, GR 116, YR 112; Jim Grainger, Great Falls, \$3000. And, RVD Rito 7580, 4/2/80 by

Rito 776 of Hyline 2778; NR 112, GR 108, YR 108; Cedar Hill

Angus Ranch, Belgrade, \$2900.

Two-year-old bulls: Hyline

Toston, \$2750. And,

Juanada Lad 5879, 3/17/79 by

Juanada 6779 of Hyline, 4/12/79

y Juanada 0165 of RR 7150;

Lysing Ranch, Bozeman, \$2000.

4/15/80 by Rito 776 of Hyline 2778: NR 113, GR 136, YR 125;

Gary Poser, \$2000. Eldorene of

JACKPOT'S GIRL—Jim Sutton Ranches, Onida, S.D. exhibited the grand champion purebred female at the Red Carpet Limousin Show recently at the Black Hills Stock Show. The female is an April 12, 1979 daughter of SY Prospector. She was bred for a spring calf to YK Jackpot. The female topped the entire Red Carpet Sale bringing \$6,100 from Feather Ranches, Belle Fourche, S.D.

ECKLEY HEREFORDS AND Riverton, Wyo., Feb. 28

11 Peterson bulls 1,111 37 ½ Eckley bulls......1,000 30 comm. bred helfers 597

Top Eckley bulls: EH D4 728, 3/27/79 by EH Eclipse Dr 403; George Bartlett, Riverton, 1/2-int., \$2000. EH L1 701, 3/30/79 by L1 Prince D409; Hornecker Livestock Co., Ethete, \$1450. EH Sam Donald 732, 3/21/79 by Sam Donald M1; Jim Chant, Rock Springs, \$1300. EH D4 716, 3/25/79 by EH Eclipse D4 403; Hornecker, \$1200. EH Sam-Donald 751, 4/2/79 by Sam Donald M1; Gardner Ranch. 3/16/79 by L1 Prince D409; F.F. Veach, Arepahos, \$1150. EH L1 748, 3/27/79 by L1 Prince D409; Robert McClure, Riverton, \$1150. EH Sam Donald 734, 3/23/79 by Sam Donald M1; Jim McIntosh, Sweetwater, \$1150. EH D4 709, 3/16/79 by EH

Top Peterson bulls: Aster Lad 93, 2/14/79 by Ardmore Lad 212; Chant, \$1500. Mischief Lad 832, 12/10/78 by AA Mischlef 611; Chant, \$1500. MR Tiberius 91, 1/9/79 by IU CAN Tiberlus D4; Ruby Chesnevar, Farson, \$1500. Husky Ardmore 98, 2/24/79 by Ardmore Lad 212; TV Land and Cattle Co., Thermopolis, \$1150. Top bred hellers: 6 head drag

Eclipse D4403; Hornecker,

to Bob Hoopengarner, Morton, \$650 ea. 6 head drag to Jacoby Ranch, Casper, \$635 ea. 13 head drag to Jack Corbett, Sweet-water, \$585 ea.

This was a good offering of top quality range buils from two purebred outfils that run caltie just like the commercial cattle-men they sell to. The results were satisfactory, as a good crowd of caltiemen gathered for the sale. The bulls sold in range condition, and the buyers liked them, bidding in most part, stayed in the local -- JERRY YORK

RAY VAN DYKE & SONS HYLINE ANGUS Bozeman, Mont., Feb. 28

Bulls: Band 105 of Hyline 2480, 1/26/80 by Band 234 of Ideal 3163; NR 105, GR 117, YR 108; 3163; NR 105, GR 117, YR 108; Selkirk Angus Ranch, Two Dot, \$5000. Sale included 34-int. RVD Band 2980, 2/1/80 by Band 234 of Ideal 3163; NR 102, GR 122, YR 110; Gary Poser, Belgrade, and Rector Ranch, Betgrade, \$5000. Band 106 of Hyline 1760, 1/19/80 by Band 234 of Ideal 3163; NR 121, GR 113, YR 118; Jenro Ranch Co., Lewistown, \$4500. Band 105 of Hyline 1880, 1/21/80 by Band 234 of Ideal 3163; NR 107, GR 117, YR 113; Tri-Mountain Angus Ranch, Townsend, tein Angus Ranch, Townsend, \$3750. Band 106 of Hyline 2880, 2/1/80 by Bend 24 of Ideal 3163; NR 107, GR 113, YR 111; Tr)-Mountein Angus \$3500. Band 105 of Hyline 4880, 2/14/80

lylino 8061, 374780 by Juanada. **Auction Results**

0165 of RR 7150, NR 109, GR 115, VB 111: Poser, \$1300, Elba Nobi 7/6 of Hyllno 27/8, NR 91, GR 41, YB 107; James Mee, Two Dot, \$1200 Pride of Hylling 8032. 271780 by Rito 205 of Ideal 2218. NR 94, GR 123, 7R 102, Wally Brownell, Belgrade, \$1000 And, Pride of Hyline 8034, 2/2/80 by Band 234 of Ideal 3163; NR 106, GR 123, YR 111; Popnoe Ranch, This was a truly aggressive sale that moved, in an effective

vay. the productions for Ray Van Dyke & Sons, The demand was from everywhere, and the market that the rancher trade estab ished for these performance Angus cattle carried the event all the way. The real pressure was onie vounger bulls, the very tops from the yearlings, and ranchers n the seals consistently invested up to \$3000 each for the best performers among this group. If allowed it to inove in an effective way from start to finish. The seliei s could have sold even more saltie to this crowd here today -- RALPH HEINEMANN

> T CROSS RANCHES Payton, Colo., March 3

Bults: T+ L1 Domino 9078

3/16/79 by LI Domino 72006; Wm Gruenerwald, Wagon poss., \$8700. T+ L1 Colo Dom 9104; 4/1/79 by PW M L1 Domino A6350; John F. Jensen, Boulder, Wyo., \$6700. T+ L1 Colorado 0028, 2/1/80 by Upstream L1 Dom 433; Raush Herefords, Hoven, S.D., 14-Int. and full poss., \$3400. T+ L1 Colorado 9113, 4/5/79 by Upstream L1 Dom 433; Gruene wald, \$3000, T+ L1 Colorado Dom 433: Gruenerwald, \$2800. Upstream L1 Dom 433; TV Hereford Ranch, Trinidad, and John Berry, Raton, N.M., \$2700. T+ L1 Colorado Dom 9080, 3/15/79 by PW M L1 Domino A6350; Nolan Crowthera, Sanford, \$2500. T+ L1 Dom 9098, 3/28/79 by PW L1 Domino

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9083, 3/23/79 by L1

Performance is the watchword an offering of ton performance Hereford cattle. They were, for the most part. Line One fired cattle which have a reputation for breeding high performance callle The bulls were in lop sale ondition and in keeping with the T+ objectives. They sold with complete performance data avail-

The buying crowd was a little thin. However, they absorbed the offering in good lashion. Volume buyers included Gruenerwald Lacumbre Ranch, Carion City and Diamond Ring Ranch, Colorado Springs. -JERRY YORK

Auctioneer: Jim Beldridge

26 two-year-old bulls.... \$2,016 45 yearling bulls 1,756 13 Maine-Anjou cross bulls 2,638

Topa: KCH Journeyman 647.

4/19/80 by Elisenmore Lad 173; Cody Thompson, Lusk, \$4000. KCH Poker Chip HV 120, 4/16/80 by Happyvale Grand Cap 131K; Thompson \$3600. HF Jumbo 89 Marshall 29, 2/19/79 by Marshall Pride 1425; Jack McMaster, Van Tassell, \$3500. 3/14/79 by Marshall Pride 145; Les Zum Brummen, Lusk, \$3100. HF 14 Marshall Taurus 100, 3/8/79 by Marshall Pride 145; Howard Kaulman, La Grange, \$3000. KCH Passport PL 14, 2/23/80 by Columbus Adventure 223; Thompson, \$3000. Sir 8MS lor; Zum Brummen, \$3000 HF Mar Quisa Jumbo 135, 4/2/79 by Jumbo of Welonka; Carver Ranch, Whitman, Neb., \$2900. ch, Whitman, Neb., \$2900. HF Marshall Taurus 50, 2/21/79 by Marshall Pride 145; Iva Byers. Chadron, Neb., \$2700. DBH Viking 13, 2/19/80 by Shoshone Viking GD60; Carver, \$2800. NO Marshall Bandy 90, 3/6/79 by Neb., \$2400. T+ MR L1 Domino

\$2500. KJH Advanture HV022, 16/80 by Columbus Adventure 223; Doug Shoor, La Grango,

WESTERN LIVESTOCK JOURNAL

Top Maine-Anjou cross: Tag 89. 2/27/80 by Epinal. Shoor, \$3100 Tag 78, 2/5/80 by Gunia. Sheer, \$3000 Tag 79, 2/11/80 by Epinal: Jim Hagoman, Ft Laramie, \$2900. Tag 86, 2/22/80 by Epinal; 91 Ranch, Moelectse

This sale is a loint offering of the Hubert Heas faintly, with the cattle from Ken and Charlene Heas, Bill and Dana Haas, Pal and Marilyn Herring and Huber Haas, it was indeed an outstanding offering of Angus buils. They were big and correct, with lots of performance and were very well-presented and received. The buying crowd was large, as cattle sold into Wyoming, Nebraska South Dakota and Idaho. -JERRY YORK

GRAPES LAND AND CATTLE Jay Em, Wyo., March 9

27 bulls \$1,470 31 hellers.....484

HAASANGUS Torrington, Wyo., March

Bulls; G Count 25 D77, 3/15/80 by FRC Count 25; Watson Ranch, Scotlabiuff, Neb., \$3200 G Yampa King D12, 4/2/80 by FRC Yampa King 40; Watson, \$3000. Sir Leo D14, 3/2/80 by FRC Sir 1; Howard and David Honderson Provo, S.D., \$2800. G Yampa King DB1, 3/17/80 by FRC Yampa King 40: Gary Rosenthal Craig, Colo., \$2600. Sir Leo D2, 3/14/80 by FRG Sir 1; CR Cattle Co., Lusk, \$2000. G Count 25 D80, 3/21/80 by FRC Count 25; D59, 4/11/80 by FRC Count 25;

Helfers: Miss Goldle 0523, 3/15/80 by Goldlin 738; Harold Sidwell, Inc., Carr, Colo., \$700. G Yampa Quaen 0545, 3/14/80 by and Sons, Lusk, \$625. G Yampa Queen 0502, 4/6/80 by FRC Yampa King 40; Ron Nelson, Manville, \$600. This was the first sale for Leroy and Darothy Grapes and their

You're not really entitled to call yourself a true procrastinator until you put off until tomorrow the The offering was a very good one with the buils being big and of the things you've already put

March 16, 1081

replacement types

like The belfers were topholch

The sale drew a modest sized

rrowd, and a large crowd would

have helped the offering return

mura dollars. It was, however, a

good, strong sale and one that

will bring buyers back noct year — JERRY YORK

JAMISON HEREFORDS

72 % bulls \$2,015 70 females 1,368

Auctioneer: Stanley Stout

Bulls: JA L1 Comino 0350

1/3/80 by L1 Domino 75901

Barnes & Downy, Perkins, Okla. \$7500. JA L1 Domino 0364

4/11/80 by L1 Domino 75901;

Door Creek Harefords, Phillips

burg, \$7250 JA L1 Damina 0366

4/12/80 by L1 Domino 75901; Eulert Ranch, Paradise, \$6200.

JA L1 Doming 0551, 2/22/80 by CH Doming 508, Double F

Herelords, Norton, \$5000, JAL

Domino 0358, 4/3/80 by £1

Domino 75001, Euleri Ranch,

\$4500 JA L1 Domino 75901

Sulor Herofords, Zurich, \$4100.

Females: JA L1 Dominette 9940, 3/26/79 by CL1 Domino

1/3/79 by 900 Domino 2H12; Steefe Livestock, Maybelf, Cofe., \$2500. JA Li Dominette 9619,

3/23/79 by HH Advanco A252;

Wilkerson Herefords, Stafford,

2/1/79 by CL1 Domino 350; Steel

A big crowd turned out on a beautiful day for the Jamison production sale. The service and

get of L1 Domino 75901 was the feature of the sale. This large

crowd got right down to business

on this fine offering and gave the

Jamison a good, anappy sale on

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Pride of Kaha K119, 3/16/79

by Marshall Pride 4906 of SAR;

Strock, Laurel, \$2100. Mershall

Wash, to Hukaba Ranch. Cardwell, \$2000. Recorded 2-

year-old bull, Wood to Walter Doom, Roberts, \$2000, Marshal

Pride to Kenr K079, 3/5/79 b

Marshall Pride 4906 of SAR, Ell

Helghis to Hukaba, \$1900.

ny PS France 064 157: Powerline

o McCaffery, \$1900. Blg Dry Lad

Emulous 9352, 5/3/79 by VR

Emulous 321; Big Dry Angus

Ranch, Jordon, to Bill Fox, Hysham, \$1850. Big Dry Lad Revolution 9245, 4/30/79 by

Revolution Pride JKO: Big Dry to

Bill Cornellus, Cascade, \$1800.

And, Big Dry Lad Emulous 9292,

4/23/79 by VR Emulous 321; Big

Herefords: Champion: NH 62

Prospector 19, 5/21/79 by CSU

spector 6256; Nelson Here-

ford Ranch, Livingston, to Swee

Malvilla, \$2000, NH 62 Prospec

for 9, 2/7/79 by CSU Prospector

Fromberg, \$1700. L1 Domino M41. 3/8/79 by L1 Domino

74806; Corcoran Herefords

Christina, to Bainer Rench

4/3/79 by The Carpenter; Farias

Bros., Fromberg, to Lundsen Ranch, Forrest Grove, \$1550.

And, M Advancer 8, 4/7/79 by L1

Advancer 504; Mathews Here-

Polled Herefords: SSR Spide

This volume sale of range bulls

revealed some things about the apring of 1981 that, prior to this

time, were probably not apparent

to some buyers and sellers. First

off, the area east of town, is still

dry; and the buying interest diminishes very rapidly in that

possible to create somewhat of a

market for bulls, and this market

had expected. Some broads

is still better than some sellars

experience more demand that

others. Any bulls short on frame

and light on weight, found the

going difficult regardless of breed; and there still is a host of

Dry to Hukaba, \$1800.

endabull, 2/11/80

Auction Results

SANDY ACRES AND MR

Control of the control of the control	
31 bulls, \$1	.490
12 bred 34 helfers 1	175
2 bred 1/2 cows 1	225
18 ¼ helfer calves	886
8 bred purebred helfers 1	.203
13 bred ¼ cows	.187
12 purebred helfer calves	877
86 lots	.191

Auctioneer: Tracy Harl Sale Manager: Cattle Brokers

Bulls: 11M, 3/24/80 by Bar 11 Ueii; Jim Towey, Cedar Rapide, \$2250. Meadow Lake Starjoc, 7/20/78 by Signal: Berggren S.M., Weston, \$2100. 1M. 3/8/80 by Black Diamond: Gene 3/15/80 by Double Connection Gary Stearns, North Platte, and Tetherow S.M., Valentine, \$1950. 50M, 2/18/80 by Polled Proto: J.M. Layman, Norlolk, 31925. 62 M, 2/22/80 by Ukla; Green Valley Ranch, Ewing,

Females: 185M, 4/16/80 by Meadowlake Signal 1K; Juatin Cummings, Julesburg, Colo., \$1825 SAS 144L, 4/2/79 by Stearns, \$1450, G072, 3/15/75 by Toni, Jim Lehman, Noriola, \$1425. SAS 146L, 4/5/79 by Momeen Paul; Gary Stearns,

A good crowd was on hand to evaluate the final offering of Sandy Acres and M B Simmental. These two firms presented a real top set of cattle for this sale. The price range. Gary Stearns took a volume of females, and almost all the bull buyers took two or more.
—JAY PURCHASE

LIVESTOCK AND RANGE

2 bulls 10 Line 15 cows	1 bulls . 1 cows .		<u>.</u> .	 	 1,556 3,418 1,63
	holfers.				

Auctioneer: Robert Schnell

Bulls: L1 Domino 78318, 4/8/78 by L1 Domino 73088: NR 116, GR 119. YR 116: Circle L Ranch, McAdams, Miss., \$37,000. L1 Domino 78325, 4/4/78 by L1 Domino 75827; NR 112, GR 115, YR 111; Venhuizen erefords, Manhattan, \$21,000. L1 Domino 79082, 3/3/79 by L1 Domino 77428; NR 105, GR 113, YR 109; Circle L Ranch, \$12,000. Domino 78639, 5/16/78 by L1 CL3 Domino 74084; NR 110, GR 101. YR 107; Wright Bros. Herefords, Le Grand, Calil., \$11,000. And, L1 Domino 79187, 4/7/79 by L1 Domino 77428; NR 110. GR 114, YR 111; Venhulzen,

3/13/76 by L1 Domino 73186; Wright Bres., \$7100. L1 Dominette 9191, 4/8/79 by L1 Domino 76726: Wright Bros., \$6250, L1 Dominelle 79758, 5/19/79 by L1 Demino 76755; Wright Bros. \$4000: L1 Dominette 77674, \$4000: LI Dominette 7774, 4/27/77 by L1 CL3 Domino. 74503; Jack Downey, Perkins, Ckia. \$3400 L1 Dominette 79770, 5/24/78 by L1 Domino 76726; Dale Rutt, Kimbali, Neb., \$3000. And CL3 Rengelle 75409, 4/10/75 by L1 CL3 Damino 72335; Weise & Weise, Eldridge,

The Research Station changed their overall sales approach this season and offered the older bulls deriver time. The results were very good once again. The event attracted bidders and buyers from all over the U.S., and it was spring sale at this location.

-RALPH HEINEMANN EDGAR CRIPPS & SONS HEREFORDS Riverton, Wyo., March's

Tops: EC British Image M17, 3/27/79 by Brit Mischlef HEW 8F; Bill O'Niel, Crowheart, \$900, EC Domino Lad Y64, 3/28/79 by \$850. EC Domino Lad Y62 3/24/79 by Brit L1 Lad HEW 2G O'Niel, \$850. Tag 73, 3/24/79 by Brit L1 Lad HEW 2G; Davidson Ranch, Aiverton, \$850 EO Delzento Lad 04, 5/17/79 by EC Superior Lad J41: Davidson,

This sale drew a somewhat smaller growd than normal, and consequently, the outcome was not as satisfactory as had been hoped for. The bulls sold in modest sale condition, and the volume buyer was O'Niel.

-JERRY YORK

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Auctioneor: Jim Baldridge Sale Manager: Rishel Livestock Services

Bulls: 01, 2/28/79 by MCR Monarch ID; Bruce Franzen, Galhenburg, to Don Weiss. Imperial, \$2400 J12, 4/2/80 by Copper King: Jack McMasters, Van Tassell, Wyo., to Leonard Franzen, Bothenburg, \$2000. 6F, 3/23/80 by Mr Clean; McMasters to burt McConnell, Sutherland, \$1850 Polled bull 43, 3/20 /80 by Polled Gallant; Dan Herrin, Brady, to Raymond Kobol, Callaway, \$1550, 600, 8/29/79 by Uhlmer Ball; Bob and Maria Faltig, Brody, to Dean

Fattig, Maywood, \$1550 Females: 036M, 6/4/80 by Alpino Polled Challenger; Dale Fattig, Grady, to Don Nelms, ndianola, \$2000. 014M, 6/27/80 by Big Boy; Dale Faltig, to Don Neims, \$1050.

A light crowd was on hand for the Platte Valley Simmental sale. but those on hand were there to do business. The cattle came through the ring in working condition, not carrying any express condition, and many good buys were made. Most -JAY PURCHASE

PAYS GRADED BULLS

PAYS GRADED BULLS	996, 3/1/79 by Vescovi 1G364;
Billings, Mont., March 9	Sunny Slope Ranch, Fairlield, to
187 Angus bulls \$1,046 52 yearling Angus 857	Bill Stoval, Red Lodge, \$1900. SSR Trojan Sun 9161, 7/17/79 by SSR Trojan 7302; Sunny Slope
16 Red Angus 566	Ranch to Bar Diamond Ranch,
134 Herelords	Billings, \$1900. And, SSR MR
24 Polled Herefords1,215	Anxiety 9604, 2/8/79 by Vescovi
393 lots	1G364; Sunny Siope Ranch to Bar

Auctioneers: Pat Goggina; Tige

Prospectus, 2/23/79 by Kadence Revolution 426; Gerald Lewis, Ellensburg, Wash. to Clyde McCaffery, Custer, \$4000. Powerline Freestyle, 2/10/80 by P8 Franco 064 157; Powerline Vermillion Ranch, Billings, \$2500. Powerline Master Plan. 3/4/80 by Marshall Pride 271 AO; Powerline to Big Dry Angus Ranch, Jordan, \$2500. Reserve

654; Wood Ranch, Nampa,

\$1000 to \$1500 in their range bull -RALPH HEINEMANN

WESTERN POLLED

HEREFORDS, INC. Burlington, Cola., Feb. 25 46 bulis.....\$1,452

Auctioneer: Jim Birdwell

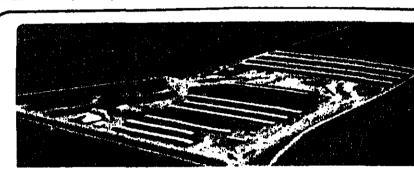
Bulla: Champion: TRS Beau Rollo F11, 2/4/79 by TRS Beau Rollo E3; Tom Robh and Sons, Florence to Harley and Ray Rhoades, Burlington, \$3000. Reserve: D Future Banner 3169, 3/12/79 by VF Justebannor D Holbrook, Neb., to Blackwell Ranch, Seibert, \$2700. MHR Advancer 62L, 1/7/79 by BT Advancer 110G: Moberly Hereford Ranch, St. Francis, Kan., to Guy 143M, 1/24/80 by QC GS Iram 462F: Moberly to Helms 4/14/79 by Mr KL Herdmaker 1271: Helms to Blackwell, \$2000

BT Advancer 110G; Moberly, to

this year's oldering was blue; indeed. Judge Erwin Stern Lincoln, Kah., complimented the consignors for bringing such accellent set of bulls as he serve the ough the bulls and heliers; pick his champions. Jack Schafer, Kirk, \$2000. TRS Rollo Gold F1, 1/14/79 by TRS Beau Rollo E3; Robb to Lock Yuma, \$1775. MC Domino 18L. 3/15/79 by BT CL Doining 15G; McClun Polled Herofords Veter-an, Wyo., to Ciliford Shaw, Burlington, \$1775, DEZD Roundpick his champions. The crowd was not the biggs: this sale has ever seen, however up F20 L26, 4/10/79 by BT Hillpark Roundup; Rolds DozD Heroford Banch, Solbert, to

the dry conditions in the train atron may be responsible for the lack of a large crowd. There were some optimistic cattlemen on processing they be the offering and big readily is own their choices. The night before the sale Pa

umburship elected new officen for the coming year and the new provident is Dave Rekt. Seiter Colo. He succeeds Meria Mubarly, St. Francis, Kan Hotalned as secretary-tressing was Walter Maul, Klows, Cos. and Dan Busse, Bird City, Kn will continue as sale manage Glarence Helms, Holbrook, Nep Busso, and Reid were in elector to the board of director



Sliaw, \$1700. OMS Victor URI

L53, 3/31/79 by OR Victor UR1

Fomales: Champion: 3H Vickin

105 GM, 2/15/80 by AHI Boau

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Market Roundup:

Stagflation places burden on market

WHEN AMERICANS' SALARIES buy less, meat especially beef, is one of the items they will cut back on, Analysts are attributing the recent livestock and meat price declines to the current economic condition of "stagflation" enveloping the entire country. Stagflation describes a condition of a simultaneous slowdown of economic activity, but continued price inflation. Producers are being forced to cut back due to high interest rates, labor and feed costs. Less production would usually lead to higher prices and greater profits. General inflation prevents the price increases, particularly with meat, which is somewhat of a discretionary item.

These analysts feel this economic condition is forcing the devaluation of meat and livestock prices, both cash and futures, as well as many other basic commodities. While quotes from the cash cattle and dressed heef trades were mostly steady, traders said they feel boxed beef supplies remain ample and retail demand is poor.

Prices opened somewhat weaker and moved to the session lows when pork futures opened sharply lower to limit down. The USDA estimated cattle slaughter at 120,000 head, down 1.6% from a week earlier and up .8% from a year earlier. The week total, at 357,000 head, is down 1.1% from a week earlier and up 3.8% from a year earlier.

Slaughter cattle marketings at the six major terminals Thursday are estimated at 3,550 houd, compared with 2,136 head a week earlier and 2,159 head a year earlier.

SAN ANTONIO STEERS, md. frame #1 300-400 lbs \$78.50-85; 400-500 lbs. \$73-81; 500-600 lbs. \$68.25-75.50; 600-675 lbs. \$65.25-70.50, Md. and lg. frame #2 300-400 lbs. \$70.50-79.50; 400-500 lbs. \$67-77.50; 500-600 lbs. \$62.50-71; 600-800 lbs. \$56.25-64.50. Heifers, md. frame #1 350-450 lbs. \$65.50-68.25; 500-600 lbs. \$62.25-66.50. Md. frame #2, 350-460 lbs. \$60.25-65; 500-600lbs. \$58.75-62.50. Lg. frame #2 475-600 lbs. \$61.25-63. Replacement heifers,

Amarillo steers, md. frame #1 335 lbs. \$79.50; 400-500 lbs. \$79-83: 500-600 lbs. \$69-74.50: 600-700 lbs. \$68-72.50: 700-800 lbs. \$67-71.50; 800-900 lbs. \$65.25-67.76. Md. frame mixed #1-2 300-400 lbs. \$71.75-73.50; 400-500 lbs. \$69.50-73.50; 500-800 lbs. \$64.25-69.25; 800-900 lbs. \$64-64.50. Heifers, Md. frame #1 300-400 lbs. \$70.50-71.50: 400-500 lbs. \$63-66.75: 500-600 lbs. \$61-64; 600-700 lbs. \$61-62.75: 700-800 lbs. \$60.25-61.75. Md. frame #1-2 300-400 lbs. \$64.75-66.50; 500-600 lbs. \$59-61; 600-700 lbs. \$56.25-61; 700-800 lbs. \$54-60.

MONTANA SLAUGHTER STEERS, mostly choice 2-4 1100-1250 lbs. \$60-61. Heifers, mostly choice 2-4 1000-1100 lbs. \$58-59. Cows ut. and comm. 2-3 \$42-48. Feeder steers md. frame #1 600-700 lbs. \$68-70. Washington and Oregon slaughter steers, choice 2-3 1050-1150 lbs. \$63-64; 1150-1300 lbs. \$61.50-63.75; Holsteins \$96-100. Heifers, choice 2-3 950-1050 lbs. \$60-62. Feeder cattle md. and lg. frame #1 steers 400 lbs. \$80; 500-600 lbs. \$74-80; 600-675 lbs, \$72.50-74.60; 725-775 lbs. \$71-73; 800-850 lbs. \$68; 875 lb. \$72. Hiefers, 400 lbs. \$66; 485-500 lbs. \$68; 600-700 lbs.

Wyoming, western Nebraska slaughter steers, mostly choic 2-4 1200-1250 lbs. \$60-60.50. Heifers mostly choice 2-4 950-1050 lbs. \$60-60.50; good and choice, comm. 1100 lbs. \$56.50. Replacements, young bred cows \$750 per head.

OKLAHOMA CITY FEEDER STEERS, MD. FRAME #1 153-236 lbs. \$92-118; 300-400 lbs. \$78.50-87; 400-500 lbs. \$75.75-80.40; 500-600 lbs. \$71-74.45; 600-660 lbs. \$67.25-72.40. Sm. frame #1 565-655 lbs. \$69.80-67.10; Md. frame #1-2 285 lb. \$79.40; 875-385 lbs. \$77; 440-460 lbs. \$71.50-76; 630-680 lbs. \$63.25-65, Heifers, md. frame #1 133-234 lbs. \$82-118; 300-400 lbs. \$64-66.75; 400-500 lbs. \$63-66.25; 500-600 lbs. \$60.35-62.20. Md. frame #1-2 390-500 lbs. \$58.50-64.30; 500-600 lbs. \$57.50-61. Md. frame #2 460-625 lbs. \$56-57.50. Slaughter cows, ut. and comm. 2-3 \$41.75-45.50; high dressing ut. \$46-46.50; low dressing and YG 3-4 \$41.25-42.50; cutter \$43.30-44.50; canner and low-cutter \$36.75-39.50

Colorado slaughter steers choice 2-4 1050-1175 lbs. \$60.50-62; choice 1075-1125 lbs. \$62-63; 1125-1225 lbs. \$63.50-64,50; Holsteins \$57-58. Heifers, choice 2-4 950-1050 lbs. \$60.50-62; good or comm. 1050 lbs. \$59.75. Feeder steers md. and lg. frame #1 660-780 lbs. \$68-69.50; 750 lb. \$67. Utah slaughter steers good to mostly choice 2-3 1050-1200 lbs. \$62-62.50; Holsteins \$58.50. Heifers good to mostly choice 2-3 950-1000 lbs. \$60-60.50. Slaughter steers md. frame #1 700-725 lbs. \$67,50-68. Heifers md. frame #1

Texas Panhandle, western Oklahoma slaughter steers, ood to mostly choice 2-4 1000-1150 lbs. \$62-64; 1175-1250 bs. \$62-62.50; good and choice 2-3 975-1150 lbs. \$60-63.50; Holsteins \$58-60. Heifers, good and mostly choice 2-4 900-1050 lbs. \$59-63; good and choice 2-4 850-1000 lbs. \$58-62; 1000-1050 lbs. heiferettes \$55-56; 750-850 lbs.

SLAUGHTER LAMBS Mid-West choice and prime 90-120 lb. shorn #1-2 pelts \$53-57; 98-115 lb. #1, 2 and fall shorn pelts \$56.25-58 at Sioux Falls; 120-141 lbs. \$50-53. Choice and prime 90-120 lb. wooled 50-55.50. San Angelo choice and prime 100-120 lb. shorn #2-3 pelte \$58-56; 120-150 lbs, \$48.50-53; 95 lb. spring \$61.75.

CENTRAL AUCTION

CLOVISLIVESTOCK MARKET. Reports as quoted by markets). Clovis, N.M., March 4 TORRINGTON LIVESTOCK

3.571 heart received: Fuerter Torrington, Wyo., March 4 and 6

\$80-86 425-500 lbs \$71-50 79, 500-600 lbs \$68-71 50, 600-675 5,218 hend received: Feeder Steers Change 309-400 Rgs lbs 366 25 68 50 3Md frama 1-2 400-450 lbs 370 50-74 525-725 \$82-88, 400-500 His 177-85, 500-600 lbs | \$68-75; 600-700 lbs. this (65-69 Feuder hellers, and traine 1 400-500 this \$63-66, 300-400 lbs | 558-71, 400-500 lbs 500-500 lbs 300 90-63 40 Md \$67-71. \$00-600 His \$65-67 Traine 1-2 435-600 lbs | 358-60 50. 600-700 lbs \$63-66 Staughter 600-750 lbs \$56-50 Staughter cows, ut and comm. \$43,46, cows, ut. and comm. 2-4 \$40-44-25, cutter \$36-41-25 Staughter bulls, YG 1-2 1025-1520 lbs 350-54

TEXHOMALIVESTOCK Texhoma, Okla., March 6 LIVESTOCK EXCHANGE, INC. Brush, Colo., March 6

4,201 head recleved: Feeder steers, choice to 300 lbs \$79.50-85 26; 300-400 lbs. \$74.75-79; 400-500 lbs. \$70stoers, choice 300-400 lbs. \$79-85;400-500 lbs. \$75.50-80,25; 600-700 lbs \$67-69.10 Feeder \$68-71.75; 300-400 lbs. \$64.40-69.50; 400-500 lbs. \$63-65; 500-300-400 lbs. \$67.75-69.75; 400-500 lbs. \$66-69; 500-600 lbs. 500 tbs. \$62.50-64.80. Slaughter

WESTERN LIVESTOCK JOURNAL count 13% 48, plaughter bulls and comm. \$42,50,45,60, canner and cutter 341 43 75. Staughter

bulls, (G.) 251-57-60, (G. 2 350-54. Replacements, bred cows \$465-655, pages \$525-650.

EMPORIALIVESTOCK SALES

Emporin, Kan., March 6 2,258 head received: Feeder Jeors, choice 250-500 lbs. 75-78, good \$71-73, common 168-70. Good and choice 500-659 No. 5566-74, common \$57-70. 650-850 lbs 362-64, common \$62-64; 850-1100 lbs \$61-64, common 355-56. Feedur heilars 250-450 lbs 305-68, good \$63-66 tuinmon 959-61. Good and choice 450-650 lbs. :61-66, common \$60-62, 660-800 lbs \$59-61 common 355-57 Slaughter cows. heileretlas \$54-56; ut \$41-43, comm \$38-40, canner and cutter \$38-42. Slaughter bulls, canner and cutter \$50-52; ut \$52-58. Replacements, pairs \$630-675, stocker bulls 500-700 lbs \$59-64; 700-1000 lbs, \$56-58.

EL PASO LIVESTOCK AUCTION CO., INC. El Paso, Taxas, March 3 985 head received: Feede

steers, choice 450-800 lbs. \$64.25-65.76. Slaughter cows, ut. \$72.50-85; good to md. \$450-800

III., \$3300. 263, 3/8/80 by Cunla;

Clean; Lyle Halverson, Konne-

As in the past, the Dejong Brothers presented an outstand-

ing set of buils. Not any of the

bulls offered were registered, but

full house on hand to make their

selections, with many repea

customers among this group of commercial ranchers. John Knip-

ling was the volume buyer.
—JAY PURCHASE

McFATE HEREFORDS

Callaway, Neb., Feb. 28

Auctioneers: Gane Watson and

Dean Schow

Charolais: 88, by Mar. 80 olied call; Marland Hodge,

Maredith Farm, \$3000.

Hamill, \$2300.

750 460 flag (80-90) crossbred 575 90 Ferder helfers, choice 459-800 ttp://361-67/50. good to

365 70 Calves, chaice

March 16, 1981

and 456-869 lb. 355 62-50. Calvos choice 250-400 lbs 165-76 cossided \$65-75 blaughter cows, ut and comm-540,45,50 Standard helfers \$50-55 cumber and guiter \$35-40. Stoughter builts, ut and commi-354-10 Repto ements stocker \$55-68 50 pairs \$425 650.

> PORT CITY STOCKYARDS Sealy, Teres, March 5

451 haad received: Feeder steers, not frame 1 275-350 lbs \$47-93; 350-400 lbs \$83-88. 400-450 lbs \$78-84, 450-500 lbs \$75-78 Lg frame 1 500-600 lbs \$67-73 Mu. frame 2 200-250 lbs \$94-98, 250-300 lbs 538-92, 300-400 lbs. \$80-88, 400-500 lbs. \$73-78 500-600 ths \$65-73. 600-675 (bs. 550-65, 725-750 (bs. 557-60) Feotler heiters, ind. Iramo 1-2 250-300 lbs. \$68-72; 300-400 lbs. \$67-70.50; 400-500 lbs. \$64-67 Slaughter cowe, ut 2-3 \$44-48.50, cutter \$42-44.60; canner and low cutter \$38.50-1200-1800 lbs \$53 50-61; bulk

Mischiel D3149; D J Land A

Cattle Co., Paxton, \$3900. MC LL Domine 9011, 3/16/79 by SR L1

Dornino 5117: ML Bar Ranch,

Brownlee, \$3800 MC Mischlet

9203, 1/15/79 by SR Mischlef

D3149; George Nelson, Loomis, \$3400. MC Mischiel 9221, 4/8/79

by SR Mischiel 03149; Circle A

Ranch, Burwell, \$3300. MC

Mischiel 9205, 1/22/79 by SR

Females: Golden Ruby 808, 3/18/78 by W M Gold Aster 914;

/aughn Helberg, Oconto, \$900.

Pleiffer, Amherst, \$870. Golden Lady 6320. 5/14/76 by MC Golden Aster 129; Johnson

Herefords, Milliford, Iowa, \$850. The McFate family presented a

set of uniform, good haired buils

to the large crowd that gathered for their annual sale. The bulls

came through the ring in good condition and were well-accept-

ed. The temple offered saw little

price spread, with many buyers

taking large groups of females.

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Domino 6117; Terry

Datay L1 Domino 0048, 4/5/80 by

Mischief D3149; Albert Hossel

Auction Results

NEBRASKA BRANGUS BULLS McCook, Nob. , Feb. 14

Auctioneers: Stan King and Don Egle

Tops: Regals Justin 9125, 5/21/79 by BBR Justana 62/5; Joe Huddleston, Goodwell Olka., \$3500. MR Rockage Sue 230, 4/6/79 by WSR Rocky Image 200; Patterson Land & Cattle Co. Greina, to Bruce Fickner. Maywood, \$3100, E F Nashua Chief 746, 3/14/79 by Garney Aradale, Kansas City, Mo., to Ron Pennock, McCook, \$2600. Ford 122/1; Patterson Land & Cattle Co., to Larry Tlerney Broken Bow, \$2500. TBBR MR Blk PWL 996, 3/22/79 by 2 Box Bar CHF Getz 11; Patterson Land Cattle Co., to Ron Pennock \$2500. BAE ARW Buckshot 00/8 4/5/78 by EF Elector 341; Meryle

Heyen, St. John, Kan., to Jos Huddleston \$2500, VVR 130 Son 115/9, 8/4/79 by WSR 650 Son Mo., to Scott McGee, Curils The first annual Nebraska Brangus bull sale drew a large crowd of ranchers. This was the first time for a Brangus auction in this area, and it certainly was a

successful event. The breeders this ante. The ranchers appre clated this good set of bulls with a good rapid sale that was steady -JAY PURCHASE

PANHANDLE STATE dwell, Okia.. March 4 100 bulls......5979

Auctioneer: Jim Birdwell

10/8/79 by Sir Wms Blackman 334; Quirk Land & Cattle Co., Hastings, Neb., to Sutter Ranch, Woodward, \$3700. Flint Test Leader 005, 1/28/80 by Flint D47 Desert Prince; A.F. Filmi, Bard, N.M., to Earl Cating, Madlow, Iowa, \$2000. Filmi Test Seller F022, 2/17/80 by Filmi D47 \$2000. RR Kalamai 13, 10/5/79

by Kalamal Bard 2; Rusk Hanon, Sun City, Kan., to Don Williams, Boise City, \$2000. Pt. Long Distance 12, 2/17/80 by Bon View Long Distance; Phillip Light Liberal, Kan., to C.C. O. Jenkins, Holland, Ken., \$1950.

Beefmaster; 11/2/79 buil; Don Smith & Sons, Erick, to Don Hudson, Woodward, \$1500.

1/25/80 buil; Smith & Sons to Double D. Banch, Savder, Tayson. Double D Ranch, Snyder, Texas,

Charolais: JE Royal Amiral 81. 1/14/80 by RER SE Sir Royal Sam 3297; John & Margaret Williams, Bolse City, to Tom Stevens, Guymon, \$1300. Hereford, A720 Domino 984,

11/18/79 by MJB Advance 720; Robert O. Andrews Family Trust Slayton, \$2500. PSU CL1 Domin 002, 3/27/80 by BLR CL1 Domin 5109; Panhandle State University, Goodwell, to Mrs. Blau, Follett, Texas, \$1700. TD4 Cruzeiro B9, 11/20/79 by 6M D4 Cruzelro B65; William Thoma-aon, Redrock, to Richard James, Kerrick, \$1600, CG King Domino ALEX MOSTROUS: L80, 11/27/79, by Westwind

Warrior 5; Carl and Chartes Gray, Edinund, to Sucher Ranch, Guyinon, \$1450. Polled Hereford: CJA King 107. 2/11/80 by Enforcer 107H;

2.617 head received: Feeder

\$67,75-69,50, 800-900 lbs \$64-

64.60 Feeder helfers, choice

CJA Polled Herofords, Texline, Texas, to Y.C. Fox, Sweetwater, 1700. CHR Victor 035, 2/29/80 DR Victor U325: Dale & Fox. \$1275. JOC Victorious Rupt. 2/13/80 by Victorious Golden Boy; Jay D. Coen, Elkhart, Kan.,

to Fox. \$1175. nental: 3/14/80 bull by Bar 5 Dane; David Bozone, Rolla, Hooker, \$1500. The top five buils of each breed

averaged as follows: Herefords, \$1585; Polled Herefords, \$1320; Angus, \$2330; Sim \$1500: Charolals, \$1150; Beef-The bottom end of these gain tested bulls did not sell well.

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on the seats and quite a few high

DEJONG BROS. BULLS

Chamberlain, S.D., Feb. 25

12 Charolais 1,621

99 bulls 1 ,824

Auctioneer: Leonard Gran

Tops: Angus: 85, 4/8/80 by Happyvale Stud; Cross Cattle Co., Bloomfield, Neb., \$3550.

Co., Bloomfield, Neb., \$3550. 177, 3/31/80 by Dakota Pound

Anamosa, lowa, \$3000, 77

4/5/80 by Happyvale Stud; Gary

Maine-Anjou: 423, 4/28/80 by covino; Windmill Ranch, Wauni-

ia. Neb., \$3500. 426, 5/2/80 by

i would appear in these uncertain economic times, ranchers are only buying buils if they 4/15/79 by SR Mischief D3149; Circle A Ranch, Burwell, \$4300. olutely have to. MC Mischlef 9229, 6/3/79 by SR

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The proposals call for a

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Japanese farmers seek price increase of skinned pork by 9.9% prices, which they said had

> next fiscal year, which starts April 1. The association also wants to raise the floor price on swine to 646 yen from 588 yen and the ceiling price to meat consumption.

For beef cattle, the association is asking that the median price be raised by 10.3% to 1720 yen per kg from 1560, the floor price to 1496 from 1357, and the ceiling price to 1944 from

from the existing level to to risen 14%. However, it is thought

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1763, they said

unlikely the government

will approve the increases because of concern such price hikes would heighten inflation and result in lower Meat consumption, which

has steadily increased in

The present price floors and ceilings were put into effect in March 1980. The officials said the price hikes were being sought to compensate for higher feed

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address such issues as who

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representatives from the

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will form the council. The

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recent years, is showing signs of declining, apparently in reaction to high pork and beef prices. If the price increases were approved intact, government sources said, the government might have to reduce imports. Japan, however, has make an international promise to increase beef

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The top geining CSU bull is a Hereford bull sired by Bras Arden 6250 that has an ADG of

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The top gaining sire group among the CSU Hereford bulls is

He explained that there is some energy generated in sired by Don-Colorado 8232 and the area of high voltage they have an ADG of 3.41 and a feed conversion of 6.42. The top lines, and that fences can lead conversion of 6.4%. The top. CSU Angus alre group is streed by Rito Select 6080, and they have an ADG of 3.70, and a feed conversion of 6.18. The top CSU Red Angus alre group is alred by El Dolor 4138, and they have an pick up a charge that he compared to less of a jolt than could be expected from an electric lence. He said it is not unusual to have ADG of 3,03 and a feed smoke (from burning brush conversion of 7.33.

or grass) cause crackling impact aid will be available Since that article, and a that is similar to a light to impacted countles. Anamount of lightning, and no other issue will be to study more harmful. Some lines when and if lines should be conduct direct current, and buried. others conduct alternating

current lines residents may tween the BPA and the find that their plumbing residents affected by the pipes will have increased proposed power plant lines. corrosion, and they may A Northwest Regional Power Planning and Conservation Act, passed during the last session of Congress, promises to address problems Lacey and other ranchers have faced dealing with power companies. It provides for appointment of a Northwest Energy Council which will

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which ultimately is borne by the consumer. John Flink, aid to Sen.

facilities will be sited. Two Baucas, advises ranchers four states (Montana, Idaho, and farmers to be alert to plans, investigate rumors, and at the first sign of governors of those states efforts by power companies are presently in the process to get releases signed or sell right of way, demand to see a comprehensive plan of With the recent appointment of Earle Gjelde, there

optimism that BPA will be responsive to the concerns of people who have their Gjelde agreed that the

> pointed out. Planning law.

these lines are. Gjelde said in cases where bower that efforts are underway to give safety studies a high lines min irrigation systems, or cause a specific priority, but that so far thereloss of the use of land, is no evidence that the lines ranchers may have to be pose a hazard to the people willing to go to court to get or animals who live near realistic compensation. In a statement in a recent

congressional record. Senator Baucus pointed to several major questions that will have to be addressed. One will be whether Montana's siting act will govern BPA's development of new power plants and lines, and how much federal

AMERIFAX BOARD - The Amerifax Assn. board of directors for 1981 are: Steve Barnes (seated, left), Cody, Neb.; John Quirk, Hastings, Neb.; Herb Bowar, Fualkton, S.D.; Jim Clow (standing, left), Buffalo, Wyo.; Don Meluis, Miranda, S.D.; Bill Stolle, Hecla, S.D.; Power lines cut ranch territory;

'unfounded' fears for safety

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current. In the few areas where there are direct

have to convert to plastic. BPA is studying buried high voltage lines, but there are technical problems and reliability questions involved, in addition to the fact that presently the cost would be 10 to 15 times as much as present methods, according to Gjelde. Lower voltage lines are buried now, but at a greater cost,

ports CNS.

proposals. "Every time a federal agency gets into a construction project like a power plant and lines, local mmunities stand to lose tax revenues, and it makes lack of communication it difficult to form long between the power company range budgets," Flink

and the people affected by It would be best to follow state laws with regard to as a failure on the part of elting, according to Flink. BPA. He expects the He said that what they have Northwest Energy Council to be instrumental in now is a private agreement that will provide local input improving community relainto building plans and develop rules and regula-Despite assurances such as these, however, ranchers tions to comply with new Northwest Regional Power still worry about how safe

Dean Miller, a spokesman

for Colorado Public Service Commission, points out that it is a common practice to melt down old towers and reuse the metal, and to paint as much of the structures as possible to get them to blend into the landscape. He feels that most nower companies have a good track record for conservation and safety.

CFTC's proposal draws criticism

A Commodity Futures Trading Commission proposal to redefine the term rule" and explicity extend its oversight authority has drawn strong criticism from the futures industry, re-

The proposed amendment would redefine a rule subject to CFTC approval to include actions taken by contract markets pursuant to enabling authority provided by the markets' existing rules.

CFTC has said the proposed amendments is merely a reaffirmation of existing policy, but public comments from exchanges disagreed. The Comex Clearing Assn. called the proposal "a total reversal of prior commission policy.'

The comments argued that self-regulation is the governing principle of the Commodity Exchange Act and that the primary responsibility for rule enforcement is given to the markets, not the CFTC. In its comments, Comex said approval of the definition hange would transfer all discretionary authority' from the contract markets to the CFTC and make the markets 'mere errand

> Corp. asserted that the amendment "would make it impossible for a contract market or its clearing organization to operate...

The Commodity Clearing